



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION VI

1201 ELM STREET

DALLAS, TEXAS 75270

MAY 14 1991

Mr. D. N. Sweet, Plant Manager  
Koppers Company TXD008089021  
Old Industrial Road  
Armco Gate #1  
Houston, TX 77015

RE: Request to Inspect Koppers Company in Houston, TX

Dear Mr. Sweet:

This is to inform you that Ecology and Environment, Incorporated, (EEI), is a duly authorized consultant for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Representatives from EEI may, upon presentation of a Letter of Introduction, enter any facility where hazardous materials are generated, stored, treated, disposed of, or transported to determine compliance with standards, regulations, and permits issued pursuant to the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and Section 311 of the Clean Water Act (CWA).

Specifically, this inspection is to determine if an "imminent and substantial endangerment to health or the environment" exists as described by Section 7003 of RCRA. Please be aware this inspection will not include a determination of compliance with RCRA Interim Status Standards. Authority to conduct these inspections is contained in Section 3007 of RCRA and Section 308 of the CWA.

An inspection may include a review of records, taking photographs, and collecting samples. Representatives of EEI are authorized to collect information which is considered confidential. Any such information must be specified as confidential at the time of the inspection so that appropriate protective measures may be taken.

Mr. K. Malone, EEI, Field Inspection Team Leader, or a member of his staff, will contact you to arrange an inspection date.

A copy of the inspection report and any analytical data for your facility may be obtained by writing to Gerald Fontenot (6E-GH), EPA Region 6, 1201 Elm Street, Dallas, Texas 75270.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me or Karen Solari of my staff at (214) 767-2724.

Sincerely,

*Charles A. Gazda*

Charles A. Gazda, Chief  
Compliance Section (6SA-SC)

cc: Mr. C. R. Miertschin, Director  
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